INCREASED CLERICAL FORCE, GENERAL LAND OFFICE.

LETTER

FROM

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY,

TRANSMITTING

A COPY OF A COMMUNICATION FROM THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR SUBMITTING AN ESTIMATE FOR INCREASED FORCE IN THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE.

FEBRUARY 7, 1903.—Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, Washington, February 6, 1903.

Sir: I have the honor to transmit herewith, for the consideration of Congress, copy of a communication from the Secretary of the Interior, of the 4th instant, submitting for inclusion in the general deficiency bill an estimate of appropriation covering the increased force allowed the General Land Office by the legislative, executive, and judicial appropriation bill for the fiscal year 1904, as passed by both Houses, for the period from March 1 to June 30, 1903, \$11,259.80.

Respectfully,

L. M. Shaw, Secretary.

The Speaker of the House of Representatives.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Washington, February 4, 1903.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith a communication from the Commissioner of the General Land Office inclosing a deficiency estimate of \$11,259.80, for an increased clerical force in the General Land Office for the current fiscal year from March 1, 1903, to June 30, 1903.

The recommendation and estimate as made by the Commissioner meets with my approval, and is respectfully forwarded through your Department for appropriate action by the Congress.

Respectfully,

E. A. HITCHCOCK, Secretary.

The Secretary of the Treasury.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, GENERAL LAND OFFICE, Washington D. C. Februagus 2, 1903

Washington, D. C., February 2, 1903.

Sir: I have the honor to submit herewith, in duplicate, for your approval and transmission to Congress, a supplemental estimate of appropriation for additional clerk hire in this office for the current fiscal year, 1903, from March 1, 1903, to June 30, 1903, viz:

Four clerks of class 4	\$2,420.00
Four clerks of class 3	2, 151, 20
Four clerks of class 2	1,882.40
Four clerks of class 1	1,613.20
Five clerks at \$1,000 each per annum	1,680.50
Five copyists at \$900 each per annum	1,512.50
Total .	11, 259. 80

The above force of additional clerks is absolutely necessary in order to dispose of the arrears of work already accumulated and the still constantly increasing and unprecedented volume of current business pertaining to this office.

An appropriation for the said additional force for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1903, and ending June 30, 1904, is included in the legislative, executive, and judicial appropriation bill now pending in Congress, and has received the approval of both branches of that body.

Very respectfully,

W. A. RICHARDS, Commissioner.

The Secretary of the Interior.

Estimates of appropriations required for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903, by the General Land Office.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

GENERAL LAND OFFICE.

Salaries, General Land Office: Four additional clerks of class 4 from March 1, 1903, to June 30, 1903	
(R. S., p. 27, secs. 167–169, act of Apr. 28, 1902, vol. 32, p. 158, sec. 1; submitted) Four additional clerks of class 3 from March 1, 1903, to June 30, 1903	\$2, 420.00
(same acts)	2, 151. 20
Four additional clerks of class 2 from March 1, 1903, to June 30, 1903 (same acts)	1, 882. 40
Four additional clerks of class 1 from March 1, 1903, to June 30, 1903 (same acts)	1,613.20
Five additional clerks, at \$1,000 each, from March 1, 1903, to June 30, 1903 (same acts)	1, 680. 50
Five additional copyists, at \$900 each, from March 1, 1903, to June 30, 1903 (same acts)	1, 512. 50
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Note—The above estimate for additional clerk hire in the General Land Office is absolutely necessary in order to dispose of the arrears of work already accumulated and the still constantly increasing and unprecedented volume of current business.